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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Serial No.: 09/156,276
Filed: September 17, 1998
Group Art Unit: 3763
Examiner: Rodriguez
Applicant: Rohit C. L. Sachdeva et al.
Title: **MEDICAL INSTRUMENT WITH SLOTTED MEMORY METAL TUBE**

Cincinnati, Ohio

February 25, 2000

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

1. This is a petition for an extension of time to respond to the final Office Action mailed August 26, 1999 for a period of three months.
2. Applicant is

- ☒ [X] a small entity
verified statement:
☐ [] attached
☒ [X] filed previously
- ☐ [] other than a small entity

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3. Extension of

<u>(months)</u>	<u>Fee for other than small entity</u>	<u>Fee for small entity</u>
___ one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
___ two months	\$ 380.00	\$190.00
<u>X</u> three months	\$ 870.00	\$435.00
___ four months	\$1,360.00	\$680.00

Fee \$ 435.00

___ An extension for ___ month(s) has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of ___ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. Extension fee due with this request \$_____.

4. Amendment

- ☐ is filed herewith
☐ has been filed

5. Fee Payment

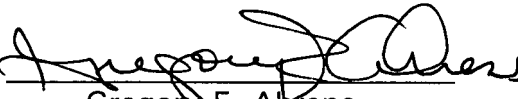
☒ Attached is a check in the sum of \$ 435.00.

6. ☐ Charge fee to Deposit Account No. 23-3000. A duplicate of this petition is attached.

7. ☒ Charge any additional extension fee required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3000. A duplicate of this petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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